Allocation of power to Rajasthan from Central power grid

50. SHRT KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA : Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the allocation of power to Rajasthan from the Central power grid has been reduced during the past three years;

(b) if so, what is the percentage of reduction in the power allocation to Rajasthan during the last three years (year-wise) stating the rationale for reducing the State's share in electricity ;

(c) whether Government propose to review the formula for allocating power to the State of Rajasthan; if so, what is the decision, if any, taken by the Government in this regard; and

(d) if the answer to part (c) above be in the negative, whether Government would consider this question ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN ' THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALPNATH RAI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) At present, there is no proposal to review the formula.

Claim of Rajasthan in power generation projects

51. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of power generation projects in which the Government of Rajasthan have claimed state's share ;

(b) whether the Rajasthan Government have stated ad-hoc claim for their share in Ananapur samo and Mukerian Hydel Projects both in the project cost and the benefits:

(c) if so, what is the decision, if any, taken by the Government in the matter; and

(d) if the answer to part (c) above be in the negative what are the reasons for delay in taking a decision ?

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THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALPNATH RAI): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Proposal for lignite based thermal power station in Rajasthan

52. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

•(a) whether there is any proposal to install a lignite based thermal power station in the State of Rajasthan;

(b) if so, what is the estimated mineable lignite reserves in Rajasthan and the amount of energy likely to be generated from this source;

(c) what is the estimated project cost, the estimated generation capacity of the power station and the manner in which the project is proposed to be financed; and

(d) whether the proposed lignite based thermal power station is likely to come up during the Eighth Plan Period?